UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT MEDFORD DISTRICT

EA COVER SHEET

EA Addendum - 8/2/01

RESOURCE AREA: Grants Pass

ACTION/TITLE: Free and Easy 2 Forest Management Project

LOCATION: T. 38 S. R. 8.W, Section 33

T. 39. S, R. 8 W., Sections 5, 11, 14, 15, 23, and 25, Willamette Meridian

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August 2, 2001

I. Background

During the Free & Easy 2 project planning and EA preparation, it was assumed that the BLM would be able to obtain an easement for the use of BLM road #39-8-17 where it is located on private property in the SW1/4NE1/4 of Section 17 (p. 4 of EA Map 1). When originally built, the road was inadvertently located on private property without an appropriate easement. Efforts to obtain an easement to remedy this have not been fruitful. Consequently, a change to the proposed action regarding this road is being proposed.

II. Proposed Action

1. EA Table C-1 (EA, p. 60) - add / delete the following:

Road Number/ Road Road Control		Total Current Length Conditio		Miles of Proposed Treatment:			nent:	Proposed Action	Proposed Closures
Segment	by	(miles)	n/ M Surface type	Maint	Const .	Reno vation	Deco mmis.		and Decommissioning
ADD									
39-8-17	BLM	1.0	Nat	0.1	0.10	0.1	0	Relocate the road and the gate.	
DELETE									
Section 17 Temp Spur	BLM	0.10	NAT		0.10		0.10	Construct temporary spur road	Decommission temporary spurroad following treatment

Approximately 170' of new natural surface road would be constructed to relocate the junction of road 39-8-17 with the West side road. The current entry will be blocked where it enters BLM land. The existing gate on the road will be moved to a location on BLM land. See attached map.

Approximately 250' of the existing road will be widened in order to provide a full running surface width on BLM land.

Relocation of the road will allow an existing landing on BLM to be used while logging Unit 17-3 under the Free & Easy 2 project. It will also provide full access rights to BLM land accessed by Road #39-8-17. The earlier proposed temporary spur will not be necessary for logging Unit 17-3 and would not be built.

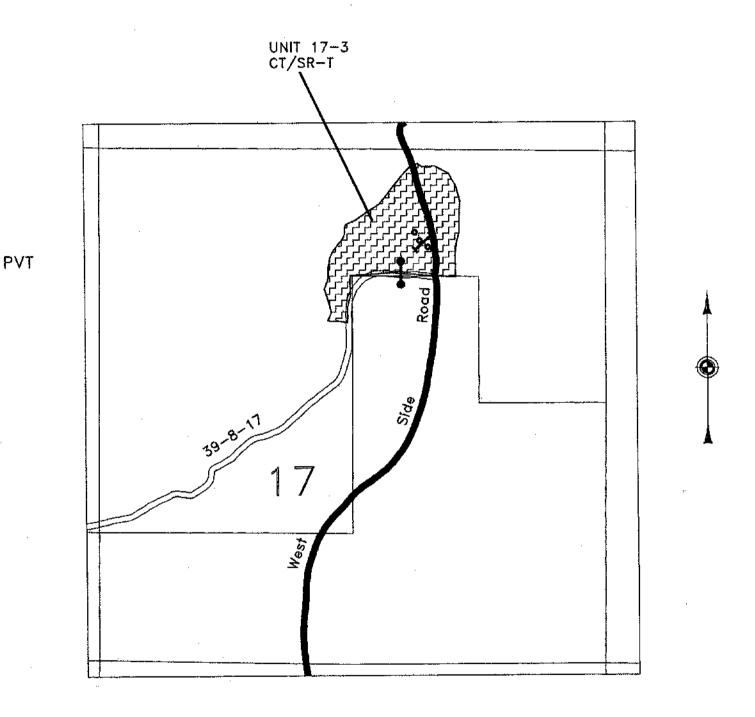
2. This road is currently closed to public vehicular use by Federal Register Notice. The closure was instituted to protect resources accessed by the road from damage. This closure will remain in effect.

III. Environmental Consequences

No additional substantive environmental impacts have been identified that would result from this change to the proposed action. The environmental impacts of this proposed change are within the range of impacts anticipated and evaluated in the initial EA.

U.S.D.I. BLM MEDFORD DISTRICT SALE NO. 98-03 T.39S., R.8W., SEC. 17, WILL. MER. FREE & EASY 2 FOREST MANAGEMENT PROJECT

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CONTOUR INTERVAL 100'

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